

NAPLAN Results Similar School Data Dictionary

Field Code	Description
Calendar Year	The year to which the data relates.
ACARA School ID	Unique ID allocated to a given school by ACARA.
AGE ID	The Australian Government Department of Education ID.
School Name	The official name of the school.
Suburb	The suburb in which the school is located.
State	The state in which the school is located.
Postcode	The postcode of the school's location.
School Sector	The sector that the school belongs to (Government, Catholic or Independent).
School Type	The type of school (Primary, Secondary, Combined or Special). For multi-campus schools, school type is derived from individual school types of all campuses.
Campus Type	The campus type of the school: School Single Entity - A school that only has one campus/site School Head Campus - This is the main campus of a school that has multiple campuses.
Rolled Reporting Description	This field refers to the way in which a school's data is reported on My School: Individual Reporting - All single entity schools will be Individual Reporting. Rolled Reporting - All schools with multiple campuses will be Rolled Reporting and reported against the head campus only.
Domain	One of the five domains or learning areas tested in NAPLAN: Reading, Persuasive Writing, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation, and Numeracy
Student Grade Level	The school year level being tested: year 3, year 5, year 7 or year 9.
Similar Schools Average NAPLAN Score	The Average NAPLAN scale score of all students in 'similar schools', for the specified domain and grade level. 'Similar schools' in this context are schools serving students from statistically similar backgrounds to the selected school.
Similar Schools Average Lower Margin	The lower bound confidence interval of the similar schools Average NAPLAN scale score based on a margin of error at 90% level of confidence
Similar Schools Average Upper Margin	The upper bound confidence interval of the similar schools Average NAPLAN scale score based on a margin of error at 90% level of confidence
Similar Schools Band 1 Percentage	The percentage of students at similar schools who were in the achievement 'Band 1'
Similar Schools Band 2 Percentage	The percentage of students at similar schools who were in the achievement 'Band 2'
Similar Schools Band 3 Percentage	The percentage of students at similar schools who were in the achievement 'Band 3'
Similar Schools Band 4 Percentage	The percentage of students at similar schools who were in the achievement 'Band 4'
Similar Schools Band 5 Percentage	The percentage of students at similar schools who were in the achievement 'Band 5'
Similar Schools Band 6 Percentage	The percentage of students at similar schools who were in the achievement 'Band 6'
Similar Schools Band 7 Percentage	The percentage of students at similar schools who were in the achievement 'Band 7'
Similar Schools Band 8 Percentage	The percentage of students at similar schools who were in the achievement 'Band 8'
Similar Schools Band 9 Percentage	The percentage of students at similar schools who were in the achievement 'Band 9'
Similar Schools Band 10 Percentage	The percentage of students at similar schools who were in the achievement 'Band 10'

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Participation Rate	The percentage of students from schools with statistically similar students who participated in the NAPLAN test. Participation percentages are calculated as all assessed and exempt students as a percentage of the total number of students in the year level.
Assessed Percentage	The percentage of students from schools with statistically similar students who were assessed in the NAPLAN test. Assessed percentages are calculated as all assessed students as a percentage of the total number of students in the year level.
Exempt Percentage	The percentage of students from schools with statistically similar students who were exempted from sitting the NAPLAN test. Exempt percentages are calculated as all exempted students as a percentage of the total number of students in the year level.
Absent Percentage	The percentage of students from schools with statistically similar students who did not sit the test because they were not present at school when the test was administered or were unable to sit the test as a result of an accident or mishap. Absent percentages are calculated as all absent students as a percentage of the total number of students in the year level.
Withdrawn Percentage	The percentage of students from schools with statistically similar students who were withdrawn from the test. Students may be withdrawn from the testing program by their parent/carer. Withdrawals are intended to address issues such as religious beliefs and philosophical objections to testing. Withdrawal percentages are calculated as all withdrawn students as a percentage of the total number of students in the year level.